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TITLE : METHOD FOR RECOVERING CALCIUM FLUORIDE FROM FLUORINE-CONTAINING

ETCHANT

ABSTRACT: PURPOSE: To purify and recover fluoring from an etchant as calcium fluoride by making

the efchant having a specific molar composition range of ammonium fluoride and

hydrogen fluoride to react with calcium carbonate at a specific temperature.

CONSTITUTION: In a method to recover fluorine as calcium fluoride from the etchant containing mainly hydrogen fluoride or hydrogen fluoride and ammonium fluoride, calcium carbonate is allowed to react with ammonium fluoride/ hydrogen fluoride of ≤1.0 molar equivalent ratio at ≥50°C to recover high purity calcium fluoride having about ≤3%

unreacted calcium carbonate content and little silica content.

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